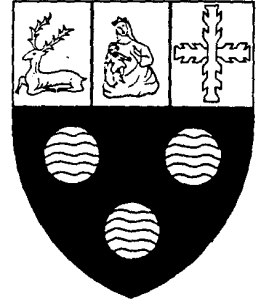


# Southwell Minster

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# CATHEDRAL EUCHARIST

**The Second Sunday before Lent**

Sunday 23 February 2025

10.00am

## Welcome to Southwell Minster



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This Order of Service is printed on sustainably produced paper.

The President of the Eucharist is the Revd Prof. Alison Milbank, *Canon Theologian*.  
The Deacon and Preacher is the Revd Canon Dr Neil Evans, *Interim Dean of Southwell*.

The congregation is invited to join in all texts printed in **bold**.

This service will be live-streamed to the internet, and will be available at [www.southwellminster.org/worship-online](http://www.southwellminster.org/worship-online) and on the Minster's YouTube channel for one week. Live-streaming allows those joining from home to participate in the same act of worship as those in the Cathedral.

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taxpayer, please consider using the Gift Aid envelopes provided – this allows us to increase your donation by 25p for every £1 you give at no extra cost to you. Card donations can be made at the contactless stations located near the main exits. You can also donate online by scanning the QR code or visiting [www.southwellminster.org/donate](http://www.southwellminster.org/donate). Thank you for your generous support of the Cathedral and its ongoing work.

## Communion

Holy Communion will be offered in both kinds (bread and wine) but please feel free to leave the altar rail after receiving the bread if you prefer. The Church teaches that Holy Communion is received fully in either the consecrated wafer or the wine. **Please do not intinct (dip your wafer in the wine) as this carries an increased risk of transmitting infection.** The ministrant will not offer you the chalice to intinct, but only to drink from. Gluten-free wafers are available — please speak to a Churchwarden or vergier before the service (if possible) to request one.

## Children's activities

This week, our regular children's activity, Minster Kids, will not be meeting. Instead, there are children's activity bags available in our Children's Chapel (near the font) and at the door; please ask if you would like one. Children of all ages are very welcome at all our services.

## Standing, Sitting and Kneeling

Throughout this booklet, you will find various references to posture. We stand to praise or sing together; sit to listen and to receive (for example, during Bible readings – except the Gospel – and the sermon), and we may kneel for personal prayer. Adopting the same posture is a way of showing that we are worshipping God together, as his people. However, please always feel free to adopt a different posture if you need to. For example, if standing for long periods is difficult, you may wish to sit during the Gospel and the Eucharistic Prayer.

## Music at this service

This weekend we are delighted to welcome back Laudes as our visiting choir — they last sang here at Southwell five years ago (about a month prior to the lockdown). They are a chamber choir that specialises in cathedral visits, and also takes choral music to churches around the country that have no choir of their own.

Laudes are directed by Graham Jordan Ellis. The organ is played by Eric Tyson

The setting for the Eucharist is the *Communion Service in A minor* by Harold Darke (1888-1976).

# ORDER OF SERVICE

*The President welcomes the congregation.*

## THE GATHERING

*Please stand at the start of the opening hymn.*

PROCESSIONAL HYMN *during which the altar party enters*



Jesus calls us: o'er the tumult  
Of our life's wild restless sea  
Day by day his sweet voice soundeth,  
Saying, 'Christian, follow me;'

As of old Saint Andrew heard it  
By the Galilean lake,  
Turned from home and toil and kindred,  
Leaving all for his dear sake.

Jesus calls us from the worship  
Of the vain world's golden store,  
From each idol that would keep us,  
Saying, 'Christian, love me more.'

In our joys and in our sorrows,  
Days of toil and hours of ease,  
Still he calls, in cares and pleasures,  
That we love him more than these.

Jesus calls us! By thy mercies,  
Saviour, may we hear thy call,  
Give our hearts to thy obedience,  
Serve and love thee best of all.

*Words: Cecil Frances Alexander (1818-95)*

*Tune: ST ANDREW NEH 200  
Edward Henry Thorne (1834-1916)*

*President* In the name of the Father,  
and of the Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit.  
**Amen.**

## GREETING

The Lord be with you  
**and also with you.**

*The President introduces the Eucharist.*

## PRAYER OF PREPARATION

**Almighty God,  
to whom all hearts are open,  
all desires known,  
and from whom no secrets are hidden:  
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts  
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,  
that we may perfectly love you,  
and worthily magnify your holy name;  
through Christ our Lord.  
Amen.**

## PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

*Deacon* God so loved the world  
that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ to save us from our sins,  
to be our advocate in heaven, and to bring us to eternal life.

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith,  
firmly resolved to keep God's commandments  
and to live in love and peace with all.

*Silence is kept.*

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father,  
we have sinned against you  
and against our neighbour  
in thought and word and deed,  
through negligence, through weakness,  
through our own deliberate fault.  
We are truly sorry  
and repent of all our sins.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
who died for us,  
forgive us all that is past  
and grant that we may serve you in newness of life  
to the glory of your name.  
Amen.**

## ABSOLUTION

*President* Almighty God,  
who forgives all who truly repent,  
have mercy upon you,  
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,  
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,  
and keep you in life eternal;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

## GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

*Choir*      Glory be to God on high,  
and in earth peace, good will towards men.

We praise thee, we bless thee,  
we worship thee, we glorify thee,  
we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,  
O Lord God, heavenly King,  
God the Father almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son Jesu Christ;  
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.  
Thou that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.  
Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer.  
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord;  
thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,  
art most high in the glory of God the Father.  
Amen.

## COLLECT

*President*    Let us pray.

*Silence is kept.*

Almighty God,  
you have created the heavens and the earth  
and made us in your own image:  
teach us to discern your hand in all your works  
and your likeness in all your children;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme over all things,  
now and for ever.  
**Amen.**

*Please sit*

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING *read by Alison Middleton*

Revelation 4

A reading from Revelation to John.

I looked, and there in heaven a door stood open! And the first voice, which I had heard speaking to me like a trumpet, said, 'Come up here, and I will show you what must take place after this.' At once I was in the spirit, and there in heaven stood a throne, with one seated on the throne! And the one seated there looks like jasper and cornelian, and around the throne is a rainbow that looks like an emerald. Around the throne are twenty-four thrones, and seated on the thrones are twenty-four elders, dressed in white robes, with golden crowns on their heads. Coming from the throne are flashes of lightning, and rumblings and peals of thunder, and in front of the throne burn seven flaming torches, which are the seven spirits of God; and in front of the throne there is something like a sea of glass, like crystal.

Around the throne, and on each side of the throne, are four living creatures, full of eyes in front and behind: the first living creature like a lion, the second living creature like an ox, the third living creature with a face like a human face, and the fourth living creature like a flying eagle. And the four living creatures, each of them with six wings, are full of eyes all around and inside. Day and night without ceasing they sing,

'Holy, holy, holy,  
the Lord God the Almighty,  
who was and is and is to come.'

And whenever the living creatures give glory and honour and thanks to the one who is seated on the throne, who lives for ever and ever, the twenty-four elders fall before the one who is seated on the throne and worship the one who lives for ever and ever; they cast their crowns before the throne, singing,

'You are worthy, our Lord and God,  
to receive glory and honour and power,  
for you created all things,  
and by your will they existed and were created.'

This is the Word of the Lord.

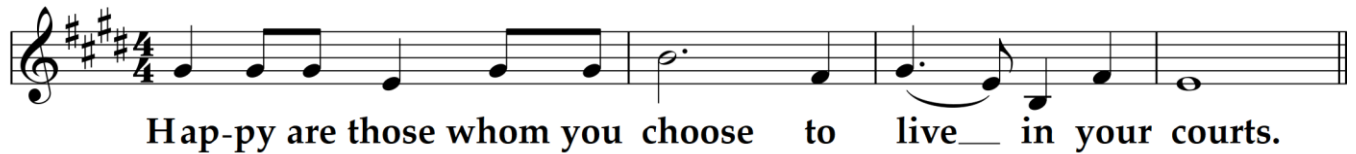
**Thanks be to God.**



*Please remain seated*

PSALMODY

Psalm 65: 8–end



*Choir* Happy are those whom you choose to live in your courts.

*All* **Happy are those whom you choose to live in your courts.**

You visit the earth and water it;  
you make it very plenteous.  
The river of God is full of water;  
you prepare grain for your people,  
for so you provide for the earth.  
You drench the furrows and smooth out the ridges;  
you soften the ground with showers and bless its increase.  
You crown the year with your goodness,  
and your paths overflow with plenty.

*All* **Happy are those whom you choose to live in your courts.**

May the pastures of the wilderness flow with goodness  
and the hills be girded with joy.  
May the meadows be clothed with flocks of sheep  
and the valleys stand so thick with corn  
that they shall laugh and sing.

*All* **Happy are those whom you choose to live in your courts.**

*Please stand*

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al-le-lu-ia, al - le-lu-ia, — al - le - lu - ia.

*Choir* Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

*All* **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

*Choir* The word of the Lord endures for ever.

The word of the Lord is the good news announced to you.

*All* **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

*Music: Mode vi*

*Please turn to face the Gospel reader*

*Deacon* Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.



**Glo-ry to you, O Lord.**

One day Jesus got into a boat with his disciples, and he said to them, 'Let us go across to the other side of the lake.' So they put out, and while they were sailing he fell asleep. A gale swept down on the lake, and the boat was filling with water, and they were in danger. They went to him and woke him up, shouting, 'Master, Master, we are perishing!' And he woke up and rebuked the wind and the raging waves; they ceased, and there was a calm. He said to them, 'Where is your faith?' They were afraid and amazed, and said to one another, 'Who then is this, that he commands even the winds and the water, and they obey him?'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Please turn back to face the altar*

*Please sit when invited by the preacher*

SERMON *given by the Dean*

*Please stand*

## NICENE CREED

*President* Let us declare our faith in God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

**We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary  
and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come.  
Amen.**

*Please sit or kneel when invited*

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION *led by Andrew Johnson*

*The following response may be used:*

Loving Father,  
**hear our prayer.**

*and at the end:*

Merciful Father,  
**accept these prayers  
for the sake of your Son,  
our Saviour Jesus Christ.  
Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

*Please stand*

THE PEACE

*President* God is love  
and those who live in love live in God  
and God lives in them.

The peace of the Lord be always with you  
**and also with you.**

*The Deacon invites the congregation to share a sign of peace.*

OFFERTORY HYMN *during which a collection is taken and the table is prepared for Communion*



1. Eternal Father, strong to save,  
Whose arm doth bind the restless wave,  
Who bidd'st the mighty ocean deep  
Its own appointed limits keep;  
O hear us when we cry to thee  
For those in peril on the sea.

2. O Saviour, whose almighty word  
The winds and waves submissive heard,  
Who walkedst on the foaming deep,  
And calm amid its rage didst sleep:  
O hear us when we cry to thee  
For those in peril on the sea.

3. O sacred Spirit, who didst brood  
Upon the chaos dark and rude,  
Who bad'st its angry tumult cease,  
And gavest light and life and peace:  
O hear us when we cry to thee  
For those in peril on the sea.

4. O Trinity of love and power,  
Our brethren shield in danger's hour;  
From rock and tempest, fire and foe,  
Protect them whereso'er they go:  
And ever let there rise to thee  
Glad hymns of praise from land and sea.

Words: William Whiting (1825-78)

Tune: MELITA NEH 354  
John Bacchus Dykes (1823-76)

PRAYER AT THE PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

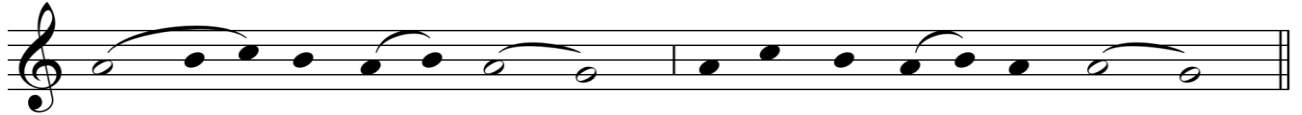
*President* Let us pray.

Look upon us in mercy not in judgement;  
draw us from hatred to love;  
make the frailty of our praise  
a dwelling place for your glory.  
**Amen.**

## EUCHARISTIC PRAYER



The\_ Lord be\_\_ with\_ you and\_ al - so\_\_ with\_ you.



Lift\_\_\_\_\_ up your\_ hearts.\_ We lift them to\_\_ the Lord.\_



Let us give thanks to the Lord\_ our God.



It is right to give thanks and praise.\_\_\_\_

Father, we give you thanks and praise  
through your beloved Son Jesus Christ, your living Word,  
through whom you have created all things;  
who was sent by you in your great goodness to be our Saviour.

By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh;  
as your Son, born of the blessed Virgin,  
he lived on earth and went about among us;  
he opened wide his arms for us on the cross;  
he put an end to death by dying for us;  
and revealed the resurrection by rising to new life;  
so he fulfilled your will and won for you a holy people.

Therefore with angels and archangels,  
and with all the company of heaven,  
we proclaim your great and glorious name,  
for ever praising you and singing:

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS *sung by the choir*

*Choir* Holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts,  
heaven and earth are full of thy glory.  
Glory be to thee, O Lord most high.

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.

*President* Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness;  
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit,  
and according to your holy will,  
these gifts of bread and wine  
may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;  
who, in the same night that he was betrayed,  
took bread and gave you thanks;  
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;  
do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper  
he took the cup and gave you thanks;  
he gave it to them, saying:  
Drink this, all of you;  
this is my blood of the new covenant,  
which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.  
Do this, as often as you drink it,  
in remembrance of me.

*Deacon* Great is the mystery of faith:

*All*   
Christ has died: Christ is ri - sen: Christ will come\_\_ a-gain.

*President* And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross,  
his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world;  
rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,  
and looking for his coming in glory,  
we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.



As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving,  
we bring before you this bread and this cup  
and we thank you for counting us worthy  
to stand in your presence and serve you.  
Send the Holy Spirit on your people  
and gather into one in your kingdom  
all who share this one bread and one cup,  
so that we, in the company of the Blessed Virgin Mary and all the saints,  
may praise and glorify you for ever,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father,  
for ever and ever.

*All*



*Please sit or kneel*

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

*President* As our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation  
but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours  
now and for ever.  
Amen.**

## BREAKING OF THE BREAD

We break this bread  
to share in the body of Christ.  
**Though we are many, we are one body,  
because we all share in one bread.**

## GIVING OF COMMUNION

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.  
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.  
**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,  
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

*AGNUS DEI sung by the choir whilst the altar party receives communion*

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world:  
have mercy upon us.  
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world:  
have mercy upon us.  
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world:  
grant us thy peace.

*All baptised, communicant members of Christian churches are invited to receive Communion.*

*Holy Communion will be offered in both kinds (bread and wine) both at the communion rail and at the font. If you prefer to receive in one kind please feel free to leave after receiving the bread. The Church teaches that Holy Communion is received fully in either the consecrated wafer or the wine. Please do not intinct (dip your wafer in the wine) as this carries an increased risk of transmitting infection. The ministrant will not offer you the chalice to intinct, but only to drink from. Thank you.*

*Please follow the instructions of Churchwardens to approach to receive Communion.*

*Gluten-free wafers are available on request. If you would prefer to receive a blessing (without physical contact), please bring this order of service with you as an indication. If you are unable to move to the altar, please inform a Churchwarden and the President will come to you.*

*Please sit or kneel on your return from Communion.*

COMMUNION MOTET *sung by the choir during the distribution of Communion*

Nolo mortem peccatoris,  
haec sunt verba salvatoris.

*I do not desire the death of a sinner.  
These are the words of the Saviour.*

Father, I am thine only Son,  
sent down from heaven mankind to save;  
Father, all things fulfilled and done  
according to thy will I have.  
Father, my will now all is this:  
Nolo mortem peccatoris.

Father, behold my painful smart,  
taken for man on every side,  
e'en from my birth to death most tart,  
no kind of pain have I denied,  
but suffered all, and all for this:  
Nolo mortem peccatoris.

*Music: Thomas Morley (1557–1602)*

COMMUNION HYMN *Please remain seated.*



**Be still, for the presence of the Lord, the Holy One, is here.  
Come, bow before him now, with reverence and fear.  
In him no sin is found; we stand on holy ground.  
Be still, for the presence of the Lord, the Holy One, is here.**

**Be still, for the glory of the Lord is shining all around;  
He burns with holy fire, with splendour he is crowned.  
How awesome is the sight: our radiant King of light!  
Be still, for the glory of the Lord is shining all around.**

**Be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place;  
He comes to cleanse and heal, to minister his grace.  
No work too hard for him; in faith receive from him.  
Be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place.**

*Tune: BE STILL HOAN 60  
Words and music: David J. Evans (b. 1957)  
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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*President* Let us pray.

God our creator,  
by your gift the tree of life was set at the heart of the earthly paradise,  
and the bread of life at the heart of your Church:  
may we who have been nourished at your table on earth  
be transformed by the glory of the Saviour's cross  
and enjoy the delights of eternity;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

**Almighty God,  
we thank you for feeding us  
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.  
Through him we offer you our souls and bodies  
to be a living sacrifice.  
Send us out in the power of your Spirit  
to live and work to your praise and glory.  
Amen.**

*Notices are given.*

## THE DISMISSAL

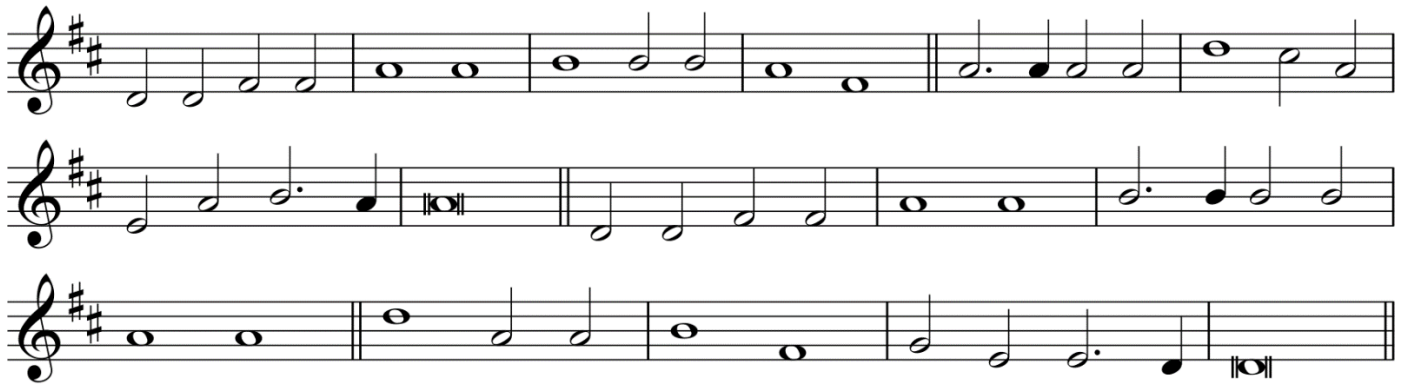
*Please stand*

*President* The peace of God,  
which passes all understanding,  
keep your hearts and minds  
in the knowledge and love of God,  
and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always.  
**Amen.**

## DISMISSAL

*Deacon* Go in the peace of Christ.  
**Thanks be to God.**

FINAL HYMN *during which the altar party leaves in procession.*



**Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!**  
**Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee;**  
**Holy, Holy, Holy! Merciful and mighty!**  
**God in three persons, blessèd Trinity!**

**Holy, Holy, Holy! all the saints adore thee,**  
**Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;**  
**Cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,**  
**Which wert and art and evermore shalt be.**

**Holy, Holy, Holy! though the darkness hide thee,**  
**Though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see,**  
**Only thou art holy, there is none beside thee**  
**Perfect in power, in love, and purity.**

**Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!**  
**All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea;**  
**Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!**  
**God in three Persons, blessèd Trinity!**

*Words: Reginald Heber (1783-1826)*

*Tune: NICAEA NEH 146*  
*John Bacchus Dykes (1823-76)*

## ORGAN VOLUNTARY

*Turvey Tuba Tune*

Paul Edwards (b. 1955)

*Following the service, all are warmly invited to refreshments in the South Transept.*

*Please note that Mini Pew News (the abridged version of the Weekly notice sheet), is available as a separate document given out at Minster services each Sunday. The full version of Pew News can be found online at <https://www.southwellminster.org/worship/pew-news/>. Alternatively, we can e-mail you a link to the latest edition of Pew News as it is published each Friday (please complete the web form at <https://www.southwellminster.org/newsletter/> to sign up to receive this regular e-mail).*

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